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SUBJECT: ERITREAN LIBERATION FRONT (ELF) LEADERS IN KUWAIT

KUWAIT PRESS REPORTS THAT TWO "POLIT-BUREAU MEMBERS OF THE ERITREAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT," HABTANI TUSFA MARIAM AND YUSOF BURHANO, CALLED ON KUWAITI MFA UNDERSEC APRIL 20. SAME DAY THEY GAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE, ALONG WITH ELF REPS. IN BAGHDAD AND KUWAIT, ALI MOHAMMED SALEH AND MOHAMMAD OMAR YAHYA, RESPECTIVELY, WHEREIN THEY COMPLAINED OF LACK OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM ARAB COUNTRIES. THEY REPORTEDLY SAID THEY WERE IN KUWAIT TO GET FUNDS AND ALLEGED THAT ARAB GOVERNMENTS' SUPPORT FOR THE ELF WAS "NIL"; THAT THE "PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION" RENDERS MORE HELP TO THE ERITREAN REVOLUTION THAN ARAB GOVERNMENTS; AND THAT ISRAELI MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE HELPING THE ETHIOPIAN ARMY AND BUILDING INSTALLATIONS ON "ISLANDS FACING THE ERITREAN COAST."

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